

## PROPOSED REGULATORY LANGUAGE

**Adopt section 1399.341 of Division 16 of the California Code of Regulations as follows:**

**1399.341. Examination Equivalency**

(a) An examination that is, in the opinion of the board, equivalent to the examination given in this state includes:

(1) Successful completion of the National Board for Respiratory Care's "Certified Examination for Entry Level Respiratory Therapists (CRT)" or "Registry Examination for Advanced Respiratory Therapists (RRT)" within three years from the date the application for licensure is received; or

(2) The possession of a valid CRT or RRT credential issued by the National Board for Respiratory Care issued on or after July 1, 2002; or

(3) The possession of a valid CRT or RRT credential issued by the National Board for Respiratory Care and current and valid licensure in another state, United States territory or Canadian province that has been held for at least one year within three years immediately preceding the date the application for licensure is received; or

(4) The possession of a valid CRT or RRT credential issued by the National Board for Respiratory Care and has practiced respiratory care in another state or United States territory that does not regulate the practice of respiratory care, or in another country, for a minimum of one year, full-time, within three years immediately preceding the date the application for licensure is received.

(b) An applicant must provide sufficient documentary evidence to establish to the satisfaction of the board, that the applicant meets each requirement in the pathway under which the applicant is attempting to qualify. An applicant shall sign a release authorizing the board to obtain copies of personnel records or any other documentation that establishes the applicant's qualifications for meeting examination requirements.

(c) This section shall not be construed to require the board to waive examination requirements.

Note: Authority cited: Sections 3722 and 3735.5, Business and Professions Code. Reference cited: Section 3735.5 Business and Professions Code.